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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :
ROGER W. GUTWEIN ET AL. :
Serial No.: 09/638,570 : Group Art Unit: 1761
Filed: August 14, 2000 : Examiner: A. Weier
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR :
UTILIZING DELAYED DILUTION, MIXING
AND FILTERING TO PROVIDE CUSTOMIZED
VARIETIES OF FRESH-BREWED COFFEE ON
DEMAND

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2001 in the above-identified patent application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application in view of the following remarks. Applicants hereby traverse the Restriction Requirement made by the Examiner and provisionally elect Claims 1-15, 39-40, and 47-48 drawn to a system or apparatus for making a customized coffee product, for examination in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to file a petition from requirement for restriction pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.144.

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